

**HINGHAM AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST
HINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

Date: May 15, 2019

Location: Central North and South Hearing Room, Hingham Town Hall

Called to Order: 7:07 pm

Attendance: Tim White, Chairman; Kathleen Amonte, Brittan DuBose, Mike MacDonald, Al Chambers and Nancy Kerber

Housing Plan: Tim White welcomed everyone and gave an overview of the Trust and its purpose. Mary Powers spoke on the importance of the Trust and the Plan. Karen Sunnarborg gave her presentation on why a plan is needed and what is entailed.

Breakout groups were formed to discuss ideas regarding affordable housing.

Karen thanked everyone for participating and assured everyone that their ideas and comments will be included in the Housing Plan. The next community meeting will be in the fall of 2019.

The meeting was filmed by Harbor Media.

Approval of Minutes from Meeting of April 17, 2019: Voted – a motion was made by Al Chambers and seconded by Nancy Kerber to approve the minutes as amended from April 17, 2019. A vote was taken and all were in favor; the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report/Approval of Invoice: Anita was unable to attend.

Voted – a motion was made by Al Chambers and seconded by Kathleen Amonte to approve the Treasurer's Report. A vote was taken and all were in favor; the motion passed.

Housing Plan: Tim relayed Nancy's comments. Emily has received a preliminary draft. It is requested that the Board go over it before the next meeting. The Trust will request that the AHT advisory liaison, Davaline Cooper be appointed as the advisory liaison to the HP Subcommittee. The draft will be forwarded to the Trust before the next meeting. The primary focus of the next meeting will be the Housing Plan.

Cedar Street: Tim spoke to Greg and gave an update. Additional testing would cost between \$20,000 and \$100,000. Greg will talk to someone who knows alternative septic systems to see if there is an alternative.

Whiting Street: Tim spoke to Noreen from Habitat for Humanity. A draft was submitted to Zoning and Habitat has a meeting with Emily tomorrow. They hope to file soon.

Cushing Street: There have been a few issues with the house – collapsing front steps and a leak on the second floor. The Trust will reach out to MCI to fix the issues.

**HINGHAM AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST
HINGHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

Rhodes Circle: MCI is looking at the work that will be needed. Sewer hookup could be less than expected. Mike will meet with MCI to go over what need to be done.

Lincoln School Apartments: Kathleen gave an update. LSA will vote at their next meeting on the window replacement. Kathleen mentions that the Trust will need to facilitate the funds from 2016 Town Meeting.

2019 CPC Application: Funds were approved at Town Meeting

LIP Properties: The Trust will stay quiet on new properties for now.

Chairman's Report: The owner of the Habitat for Humanity house on Central Street has passed away.

Set Next Meeting: June 19, 2019

Adjournment: Voted – a motion was made by Al Chambers and seconded by Kathleen Amonte to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken and all were in favor; the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:27.

Meeting Documents

1. Open Session Meeting Minutes dated April 17, 2019
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Housing Needs Assessment

Respectfully submitted by: Necia O'Neill

Approved: June 19, 2019

Released: June 19, 2019